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SUBJ: BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WITH SOVIETS: DISARMAMENT

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1. AT AMBASSADOR MALIK'S REQUEST, SENIOR COUNSELLOR TULINOV MADE THE SOVIET PRESENTATION ON DISARMAMENT AT AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN'S LUNCH AND CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SOVIET PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AND HIS ADVISERS ON AUGUST 29. DISARMAMENT WAS INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA AT THE SOVIETS' REQUEST.

TULINOV SUGGESTED THAT WE SHOULD COORDINATE DURING THIS SESSION OF THE GA ON DISARMAMENT MATTERS AS WE HAVE IN PREVIOUS SESSIONS.

1A. NON-PROLIFERATION.

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TULINOV SAID THAT OUR POSITIONS ON NON-PROLIFERATION

COINCIDED AND EMPHASIZED THE GREAT IMPORTANCE THE SOVIET UNION ATTACHES TO NON-PROLIFERATION.

2. ENMOD

ON ENMOD, TULINOV SAID THAT WE SHOULD WORK TOGETHER TO "DEFEND AND SELL" THE NEW DRAFT CONVENTION.

3. REDUCTION OF BUDGETS

IN DISARMAMENT CONTEXT TULINOV NOTED THAT OUR POSITIONS ON REDUCTION OF THE BUDGET WERE SUBSTANTIALLY DIFFERENT AND MADE THE STANDARD SOVIET PITCH ON UTILIZING FUNDS SAVED BY REDUCING MILITARY BUDGETS FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. HE SAID THAT THIS ISSUE WAS OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE IN LIGHT OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION AND THE RANGE OF ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WHICH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FACE. HE ESTIMATED THAT AN ADDITIONAL TWO BILLION DOLLARS COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IF MILITARY BUDGETS ARE REDUCED.

4. WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

TULINOV AND MALIK MADE A STRONG PITCH FOR THE "SPEEDY" CONVOCAION OF A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. TULINOV NOTED AS A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT THE PARTICIPATION OF THE US IN THE INFORMAL WORKING GROUP OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. WE EMPHASIZED THAT THERE HAS BEEN ABSOLUTELY NO CHANGE IN OUR WELL-KNOWN VIEW ON THE CONVENING OF A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

5. CHEMICAL WEAPONS

TULINOV SAID THAT PRESENT CONDITIONS ARE RIPE FOR SOLVING THE PROBLEM OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS. HE EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO REALIZE THE UNDERSTANDING REACHED AT THE 1974 SUMMIT CONFERENCE AND TO CONCLUDE AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE MOST DANGEROUS AND LETHAL CHEMICAL WEAPONS. MALIK POINTED OUT THAT MEXICAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE GARCIA ROBLES WAS PREPARING TO ATTACK BOTH THE US AND THE SOVIET UNION FOR LACK OF PROGRESS ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONTROL.

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6. NUCLEAR FREE ZONES

TULINOV CONTINUED THAT HE ANTICIPATED WE WOULD BE ABLE TO COOPERATE ON SOME ASPECTS OF THE QUESTION OF NUCLEAR FREE ZONES, WHICH, HE SAID, WOULD BE TREATED ACCORDING TO THE MERITS OF EACH PARTICULAR CASE.

7. INDIAN OCEAN ZONE OF PEACE

TULINOV INFORMED US THAT THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN THE
SIVLET POSITION ON THE INDIAN OCEAN ZONE OF PEACE.
WE REPLIED THAT WE TOO FORESEE NO NEW DEPARTURES ON OUR SIDE.

8. COMMENT: WHILE THERE WAS NO SPECIFIC INDICATION OF A
MAJOR SOVIET DISARMAMENT INITIATIVE FOR THE 30TH UNGA,
THE EMPHASIS WHICH TULINOV PLACED ON NON-PROLIFERATION
LEADS US TO EXPECT COMMENSURATE EMPHASIS DURING THE GA.
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